

Mississippi Board of Psychology

CE Coordinator Report:

Dr. Wheeler stated that he had no report.

Chair Report:

Dr. Yazdani stated that she had no report.

Executive Director Report:

Ms. Sharp reported technology challenges resulting in technology servicing needs and delays in development of the MS Autism Board's licensing management system (LMS). She stated that she has requested servicing from the state's Information Technology Services (ITS), which may result in a cost for hardware related to the firewall. The executive director and treasurer agreed to review the budget for the Board and for the MS Autism Board related to future potential costs.

Executive Session:

Dr. Clark made the motion to enter into closed determination session to consider the need to enter into Executive Session. Mr. Cumbest seconded the motion to consider the need to enter into Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §25-41-7(1), Dr. Clark moved to consider going into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing candidate status, status of applications, and complaints. Mr. Cumbest seconded the motion. Miss. Code Ann. §24-41-7(3), (5). The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Actions Taken During Executive Session:

The following actions were taken during Executive Session:

Complaints

Dr. Sutton reported on complaint 221210. Dr. Sutton stated that Investigative Committee recommended a letter to cease and desist.

Candidate Status/Status of Applications

Dr. Clark recommended ratification of the following applicants for Temporary Practice Certificate: Megan N. Carter (WA) and Roasind Douglas (TX). Mr. Cumbest moved to accept Dr. Clark's recommendation, and Dr. Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark recommended the following candidates for the Oral Examinations: 20220127, 20200723, 20211021, 20221003. Dr. Wheeler moved to ratify Dr. Clark's recommendation, and Mr. Cumbest seconded. The motion passed with all in attendance participating in the vote. There was one vote to oppose.

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Dr. Clark recommended the following applicant be approved for Temporary License: Jennifer Robin Shapiro. Dr. Wheeler moved to accept this recommendation, and Dr. Sutton seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark and Dr. Yazdani recommended the following applicants who successfully passed the Oral Examination for licensure: Jardin Dogan, Katherine McLachlan, Caroline Neumann. Dr. Wheeler moved to accept Dr. Clark's and Dr. Yazdani's recommendations, and Mr. Cumbest seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark discussed ASPPB's Psypro Book and reported that it has been updated for 2023. Dr. Clark recommended that the Board update PsyPro Book if any future changes are made to licensing requirements.

Leave Executive Session

Dr. Wheeler made the motion to leave executive session and enter into open session. Dr. Clark seconded the motion to enter into open session. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Old Business:

EPPP Early Approval

Dr. Yazdani reported that the MS statute and the Rules and Regulations were reviewed regarding the potential for applicants to take the EPPP examination earlier in their training. She noted that this option would require software changes to LMS, which would have a cost. The potential process for the form submission, eligibility criteria, and review were discussed. It was recommended that the Rules and Regulations be updated regarding the EPPP examination process for licensure.

Dr. Yazdani made a motion that the Board move forward with the process for allowing and approving students to take the EPPP earlier in training. Dr. Wheeler approved the motion, and Mr. Cumbest seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote. Dr. Yazdani made a motion that the Board to allow up to \$1,000 for LMS updates to accommodate an EPPP early approval option. Dr. Wheeler approved the motion, and Mr. Cumbest seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Rules and Regulations

The Rules and Regulations and potential needed revisions were discussed. Chapter 4 was reviewed. It was agreed to continue the review of Chapter 4 at the next meeting.

New Business:

ASPPB Mid-Year and Annual Meeting Attendance

Dr. Yazdani reported on the mid-year (April 27 through April 30) and annual (September 27 through October 1) meetings for ASPPB. Potential attendance by Board members was discussed.

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Dr. Wheeler left the meeting at 11:54 a.m.

Adjourn:

Dr. Clark moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cumbest. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote. The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Penni Foster, PhD
Recording Secretary

January 13, 2023